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The Wilson Ornithological Club welcomes the formation of the Southern Ornithological Society, which was established at Gainesville, Florida, on September 29, 1951. The purposes of the Society are to stimulate interest and to promote research in Ornithology.

Dr. Pierce Brodkorb was elected President; Julian Baumel, Vice-President; David Karraker, Secretary; and Earl C. May, Treasurer.

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## THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

There are interested and enthusiastic bird students scattered throughout our land who do not belong to the Wilson Ornithological Club. A large majority of them are amateurs, a fact which doesn't lessen their possible contributions to ornithology and to our organization. The amateurs are, however, more difficult to contact in regard to membership. We think that these people would profit by membership. In turn, the club would profit by having a larger Bulletin, greater influence, and wider recognition. The membership committee cannot possibly search out all of these individuals. Each of you may know one or more persons who should join. Visualize what would happen to the club if each present member were to find one interested new member. The membership committee can function successfully only if the members will submit names to them. If you know of someone who should be a member, send the name and address of that person (typed or printed clearly, with the Miss, Mrs., Mr., or Dr. clearly indicated) to any of the following Membership Committeemen:

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## **OBITUARY**

Rose Schuster Taylor (Mrs. Henry James Taylor) was born on a Wiseonsin pioneer farm two miles west of Middleton in Dane County on January 5, 1863. She was graduated

from the University of Wisconsin in 1885 with second honors in her class. After her marriage in 1887 the family home was maintained in Sioux City, lowa, where Mr. Taylor practiced law for the remaining 15 years of his life. In 1931 she moved to Berkeley, where she died on January 25, 1951, at the age of 88. Three sons and a daughter survive Mrs. Taylor. Naturalists in the central and western United States know Mrs. Taylor for her ornithological and botanical writings. For thirty years, after 1915, she had continuously in preparation some article based on thorough and original study. Her more than forty publications in this period dealt with birds, plants, natural history of Yosemite, Indians. and biographies of naturalists, especially ornithologists of the midwestern states. These reports contained abundant facts and characterizations obtained at first hand or from sources not available in print. About twenty persons were included, and special enthusiasm was devoted to the accounts of Coues, the Kumliens, and Miss Sherman. Along with this work she had an important influence upon a great many people through her varied services in community enterprises, upon natural history institutions, and upon other organizations. Many traveling naturalists made her home their headquarters in Sionx City or Berkeley. For a long period she spent a part of each year in Yosemite where she helped in the Museum and with other parts of the nature work. Mrs. Taylor joined the Wilson Ornithological Club in 1916, and later became a life member. For years she regularly made the long trip from California to attend the annual meetings. She joined the Cooper Club in 1920 and maintained active membership for twenty years. Accounts of her life have appeared in *Iowa Bird Life* (1951, vol. 21: 2-5) and *Yosemite* Nature Notes (1951, vol. 30: 13-14).—Jean M. Linsdale.

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